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PLANTATIONS AND LABORERS.

We wish that Mr. Dillingham, Mr. Thurston, or some other great promoter would come out publicly and tell us whence they expect to get the laborers necessary for the cultivation of the plantations which they are "promoting." In this morning's issue of their organ three new plantations are announced. Mr. Dillingham will plant cane on Kahoolawe; Mr. W. R. Castle has a scheme for a plantation in Kona, and we are told that Dillingham has bought out the Elele plantation and will start the Wahiawa enterprise on Kauai.

Every one of the proposed schemes may be good. We don't believe in the Kahoolawe idea very much, but we feel sure that the Kauai scheme is sound, but who are going to till the soil and transfer the uncultivated soil into fertile cane fields? The Dole Government has allowed the importation of a limited number of Japanese coolies, but the Japanese Government has not yet said yes to the request for laborers under present conditions. But even 5000 Japanese cannot fill the present demand of the planters and promoters, especially as the Dole combination has added a "rider" to the permits, saying that no plantation shall employ a number of Japanese exceeding that of employees of other nationalities.

The Government has done so to force the planters to inveigle Europeans and other white men to come here. The day has gone by when that could be done, because the slavery on Hawaii's plantations is known all over the civilized world. L'Orange years ago induced a number of Norwegian laborers to come here by telling them that gold was lying around the roads—and he had to flee the country while the Norwegian Government sent a special commissioner to Honolulu. The poor Galicians who are parading our streets in prison garb came here under equally false pretenses. One of their number, an intelligent man named Raab, a printer by trade, who spoke German fluently, stated to the writer that after he and his compatriots arrived in Bremen they were told by the man recruiting laborers for Hawaii, that the language spoken in Hawaii was German, that "Johann Orth," the missing Archduke of Austria, owned the islands and lived here, and that it was virtually an Austrian province. They believed it—the poor dupes—and they are now treated like criminals. Raab was of course arrested and most conveniently allowed to leave the country without any punishment for his refusing work under the contract which he was made to sign under false pretenses.

By why rake up old stories or express sympathy with the poor deluded peasants? Send for more laborers! If we can't get Japanese get Italians, and if we can't get Americans let us have Spaniards—anything will do, as long as more plantations are promoted by Thurston, Dillingham & Co.

TOPICS OF THE DAY.

It is said that Sailors' Union troubles were almost as much at the bottom of the murderous shooting on board the Australia as opium deals. Gillespie's dying deposition, if taken, might throw some light on the matter.

The combination of forces of old mercantile establishments is an indication that the *ancien regime* are prepared to hold the fort against all comers. In course of time, here as elsewhere, the merchant prices will sell out to foreign capital and "retire" from trade.

The ball in commemoration of Queen Victoria's Eightieth birthday on Wednesday evening next affords an opportunity, in advance of the Fourth of July, of a union of forces in the spirit of "hands across the sea." The bonds of reciprocal friendship are stronger than formal alliances.

Daniel Logan will make an excellent secretary to Commissioner Cleghorn, and the two combined will be representative men for the Omaha Exposition. They have the advantage of being accurate, reliable and experienced men, honest in intention and act and not likely to mislead by injudicious statements.

It is urged THE INDEPENDENT touch to see the allied forces which placed the present local government in power striving their utmost to destroy them root and branch, personally and politically. In this connection the prophecies in the back files of THE INDEPENDENT have been verified by results. "Vengeance is Mine, I will repay, saith the Lord."

Unless the community interest itself in registration, the next legislature, should there be one, will probably be elected by the Portuguese for it is understood that they will register in force next month. If the "white" men and kamaainas will not protect themselves against possible contingencies the blame must rest upon them, and not upon those who take advantage of opportunities. As we have already said there may be no election, no legislature and no election of a President to succeed Mr. Dole; but on the other hand there may be for, as past events have proved, Hawaii in the hands of Congress is but a shuttlecock.

A. L. C. Atkinson is to be congratulated for having severed his connection with the Attorney General's department, and declined to work with a man of the stamp of Mr. Cooper. Mr. Atkinson—we know him better as "Jack"—has been a faithful and conscientious official since he received his appointment as assistant Deputy Attorney-General from Mr. W. O. Smith. Numerous important duties have been assigned to him during his official career and he has earned the esteem and respect of all who have had dealings with him. The charges recently made against Mr. Cooper, and now pending before our highest tribunal, are of such a nature that Mr. Atkinson thought it necessary for him to wash his hands of the affairs of the department and tender his resignation. By doing so he has gained the friendship of the community and they will remember it when he opens his office as an attorney.

Base Ball.

The Base Ball League is now organized with the Stars, Kamehamehas and Battery. The first game will be played on Saturday the 27th but there will be an exhibition game on Queen Victoria's birthday between the Stars and the Artillery. On Saturday next Battery K will play the Kamehamehas.

The Late Chiefess.

The funeral of Aueha Kekauluohi took place yesterday afternoon. The remains of the deceased were interred in the Lunalilo lot at Kawaiabao by instructions of the Trustees of the Estate of Lunalilo.

The Rev. Mr. Kiteat officiated and a large number of prominent Hawaiians paid their respect to the late Alii.

Born.

In this city, at the Maternity Home, May 18, 1899, to the wife of Chas. Brede, a daughter.

Muslin underwear, 25 percent reduction in price at L. B. Kerr's, for one week only.

BY AUTHORITY.

NOTICE.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE,
HONOLULU, H. I., May 17, 1899.
Holders of Hawaiian Government Bonds of the following dates and denominations, are hereby notified that on and after maturity of the next coupon, interest will cease.

The principal of said bonds will be paid on presentation at the next due date of the coupon.

Stock A, Bond No. 41, Date Dec. 11, 1890, \$1,000.
Stock A, Bond No. 42, Date Dec. 11, 1890, \$1,000.
Stock A, Bond No. 43, Date Dec. 11, 1890, \$1,000.
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Stock A, Bond No. 45, Date Dec. 11, 1890, \$1,000.
Stock A, Bond No. 46, Date Dec. 11, 1890, \$1,000.
Stock A, Bond No. 47, Date Dec. 11, 1890, \$1,000.
Stock A, Bond No. 48, Date Dec. 11, 1890, \$1,000.
Stock A, Bond No. 49, Date Dec. 11, 1890, \$1,000.
Stock A, Bond No. 50, Date Dec. 11, 1890, \$1,000.
Stock A, Bond No. 51, dated Dec. 11, 1890, \$1,000.
Stock A, Bond No. 52, dated Dec. 11, 1890, \$1,000.
Total, \$12,000.

S. M. DAMON,
Minister of Finance.

BOARD OF IMMIGRATION REGULATION.

That where the reports of the Inspector of Immigration are unfavorable as to the sanitary condition of laborers' quarters or are unfavorable as to the treatment of the laborers, copies thereof shall be furnished to the Agents of the Plantations, with a notice to them that further applications for labor immigration permits will not be considered until such matters are corrected to the satisfaction of the Board of Immigration and the Cabinet.

S. M. DAMON,
Minister of Interior and Interim and President Board of Immigration.
Honolulu, May 15, 1899. 1204-3t

HAWAIIAN OPERA HOUSE

A Society Event

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McKEE'S

New York Madison Square Theater Co.

Headed by
MR. HARRY CONOR,
WILL PRESENT

TO-NIGHT

"A Rag Baby."

SATURDAY MATINEE, May 20—"A RAG BABY."

SATURDAY NIGHT, May 20—"A TRIP TO CHINATOWN."

MONDAY, May 22—"A STRANGER IN NEW YORK."

TUESDAY, May 23—Last Night, "A STRANGER IN NEW YORK."

Sailing May 24 on the Moana for Australia.

This organization numbers nineteen persons and is positively the most expensive and talented that has ever come to Honolulu.

Seat sale at Wall, Nichols Co. Saturday night. 1199-10t

\$100 REWARD.

WHEREAS, ON SUNDAY NIGHT, May 7, 1899, on the Waikiki Road, near Wright's Villa, Antone Raline, tram car driver, whilst driving a tram car belonging to the Hawaiian Tramways Co., was violently assaulted and grievously injured by some person or persons unknown; now, therefore, the above reward will be paid by the undersigned to any person or persons who will give such evidence or information as shall lead to the arrest and conviction of the person or persons concerned in the matter. Information may be given to the Marshal or to W. H. Pain, manager of The Hawaiian Tramways Co. 1197-1w

At Garden Lane, No. 9, cleanly furnished front room for rent from 1st of April, 1899. For a gentleman only.

Timely Topics.

Honolulu, April 12, 1899.

Mayhap you think we will wait until the hot weather arrives to remind you of Alaskan matters. Not so, for you must keep cool and well preserved and nourished in these stirring times if you are anxious to follow the rising fortunes of Kihei and Niulii. We have the

BEST STOCK ON THE MARKET

for your purpose. We have proved that there is a bonanza in it. It is the

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REFRIGERATOR.

It invariably pays a large bonus in mental satisfaction and inward rejoicing. It never fails to please. People are changing their investments in other refrigerators to take the

ALASKA.

We have a sufficient supply to fill all demands from the small ice chest for the country house, or the bachelor, to the largest and most costly made. They cannot be beat and are the general favorites. We also have

THE GOTHAM COOLER

in every convenient size, and if you want ice cream freezers we can accommodate you. Please call and inspect our goods

The Hawaiian Hardware Co., Ltd.
268 FORT STREET.

A Sale That Will Eclipse All Others!!

Will be commenced to-morrow morning and continued for ONE WEEK ONLY.

Table Linen, Napkins, Sheetings, Pillow Casings

Our stock of SHIRT WAISTS must be closed out, and to do this they will be reduced to half the present prices.

UMBRELLAS and PARASOLS are also included in this reduction as are our entire line of SILKS, these goods are all choice and carefully selected stocks, thus assuring Bargains.

Come Early as There Will Be No RESERVE.

L. B. KERR, Importer, Queen St.